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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1637
PATENT
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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Thomas JACKSON et al. Conf.: 3940
Appl. No.: 09/763,948 Group: 1637
Filed: June 8, 2001 Examiner: J. Siew
For: A MEANS FOR ELECTRICAL CONTACTING OR
ISOLATION OF ORGANIC OR INORGANIC
SEMICONDUCTORS AND A METHOD FOR ITS
FABRICATION

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

March 3, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 3, the due date
having been reset with the filing of the Notice of Appeal to
March 3, 2003, the following Remarks are respectfully submitted
in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102(b)

The Examiner maintains the rejection of claims 1-8, 10-20,
and 22-24 under 102(b) as being anticipated by Nakayama et al.
(EP 0450 862 A2). Nakayama et al. is asserted to teach an
organic thin film element having all of the features of the
present claimed invention, with the exception of the features of
claims 9 and 21. Applicants traverse this rejection and
withdrawal thereof is respectfully requested.